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The Adventures of Tom Sawyer by Mark Twain Comprehension Questions

Tom Plays, Fights, and Hides Chapter One

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1. Tom had played hooky and gone swimming. When Aunt Polly questioned him, he succeeded in making her believe he'd been in school. Describe in detail how she found out he'd been swimming. Aunt Polly first thought Tom went swimming because his hair was damp. Then Sid told Aunt Polly that she didn't sew Tom's button with black thread, she sewed it with white.

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Good clothes SHOES!

2. While Tom is out walking, he meets a stranger. List two things that Tom finds astounding about him since it was a weekday. One thing Tom finds astounding about the stranger is he is wearing good clothes on a weekday and he is wearing shoes on a weekday.

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3. The two boys fight. What is the outcome?
The outcome was Tom won, but when he turned his back the stranger hit Tom with a rock on his back. Tom then chased home.

The Glorious Whitewasher Chapter Two

1. How did Tom manipulate Ben Rogers into whitewashing the fence?
Tom manipulated Ben Rogers into whitewashing the fence by telling him it wasn't work and only "special" people can whitewash a fence.
(talent)

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2. List five items that Tom acquired from the boys who whitewashed the fence.
A dead rat on a string, a kitten with only one eye, 12 marbles, a piece of blue bottle glass, and a key that wouldn't unlock anything.

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3. Find and quote the law of human action that Tom discovered from the whitewashing incident.
"In order to make a man or a boy covet a thing, it is only necessary to make the thing difficult to attain."